

I am concerned about the recent FCC ruling on Digital Television copyright protection and its limitations on future technological advancements. As a computer engineering major in college, I try to stay apprised of pending government regulations of computer technology. As a consumer, I am even more concerned. Will this "flag technology" prevent me from recording television programs while I am away so I can watch them at a time of my convenience? The Supreme Court ruled this as fair use when the VCR first arrived on the market, so I can not understand why it has again become an issue? I believe this technology will only punish those with good intentions and only serve as a bandaid for the real problem. Internet piracy is an understandable concern, but I do not believe this policy will stop those who are intent on breaking copyright laws.